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SUBJ: THAI CUSTOMS SEIZE 12 KILOS OF MORPHINE BASE

1. THAI CUSTOMS OFFICERS AT DON MUANG AIRPORT SEIZED 12 KILOS OF MORPHINE BASE AND ARRESTED A TAIWANESE CHINESE NAMED HON MAN-MA ON JANUARY 21. THE ARRESTED MAN WAS CHECKING IN AT THE AIRPORT TO BOARD A FLIGHT TO HONG KONG WHEN AN ALERT THAI CUSTOMS OFFICER DECIDED TO SEARCH HIS LUGGAGE. THE INSPECTOR FOUND 12 KILOS OF 999 BRAND MORPHINE BASE IN ONE OF THE SUITCASES.

2. THE SEIZURE WAS MADE WITHOUT ANY ADVANCE INTELLIGENCE. THE THAI CUSTOMS OFFICER OBSERVED WHAT HE BELIEVED TO BE SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR BY THE PASSENGER AND ACTED ON HIS HUNCH. THAI CUSTOMS OFFICERS DO NOT AT THIS TIME HAVE A STANDARD NARCOTICS TRAFFIKER PROFILE THAT IS USED TO SCREEN OUTBOUND PASSENGERS. THE U.S. CUSTOMS ADVISORY TEAM IS WORKING WITH THAI CUSTOMS TO DEVELOP SUCH A PROFILE AND INSTITUTE ITS USE AT THE AIRPORT. THE PROFILE, COMBINED WITH GREATER WILLINGNESS TO SEARCH THE LUGGAGE OF OUTBOUND PASSENGERS, COULD RESULT IN MORE SEIZURES AT THE AIRPORT.

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